

## DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR PATENT APPLICATION

Attorney Docket No. 34848/206427

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, mailing address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

## STERICALLY HINDERED POLY(ETHYLENE GLYCOL) ALKANOIC ACIDS AND DERIVATIVES THEREOF,

the specification of which	
is attached hereto	
OR	
was filed on 12/20/2000 as United States Application Number 09/741,933.	
I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-id	entified
specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to	above,

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37 Code of Federal Regulations,  $\S$  1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(a)-(d) or § 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or § 365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or of any PCT International application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

None			Yes No
Number	Country	MM/DD/YYYY Filed	Priority Claimed
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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.

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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 120 of any United States application(s) or § 365(c) of any PCT international application designating the United States of America, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT International application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application (37 C.F.R. § 1.63(d)).

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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